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FALSE STORY OF JAP DEFEAT

Official Denial of the Russian Sensational Report of Immense Slaughter.

Rumor of Togo's Death—One of Pt. Arthur's Cruisers Said to Have Joined Vladivostok Fleet.

Tokio, July 16, 4 p. m.—The Imperial headquarters staff officially deny the reports from St. Petersburg that the Japanese lost thirty thousand men in a battle near Port Arthur on July 10 or 11. Not a shot was fired on either side.

THE RUSSIAN VIEW.

St. Petersburg, July 16, 1.35 p. m.—Since the receipt from Tokio of an official denial of the report of a Japanese repulse at Port Arthur with the loss of about 30,000, skepticism as to the truth of the report from Viceroy Alexieff's headquarters has pervaded all circles, but the members of the General Staff decline to accept the denial unreservedly. While not insisting on the accuracy of the figures, they claim there is good reason to believe that a severe check was inflicted on the Japanese in front of Port Arthur. An official report just received from General Stoessel covering the events of July 7 and July 8, strengthens this view. Stoessel says the Japanese repeatedly attacked the eastern defences around Lunanatan, and everywhere were repulsed, the Russians not losing a single position with the perimeter of the fortress.

Although still in ignorance as to what the official statement meant by "from Japanese sources," the officials here maintain that Alexieff must have had good reason to send such a report. While it is conceivable that the Japanese themselves may have spread a report for the purpose of leading General Kurapatkin to believe that they will not advance any further in Manchuria, the General Staff are disposed to regard them as guilty of such Machiavelism. The public ardor has quite cooled down.

St. Petersburg, Monday, July 18, 4.25 a. m.—News from the front, both official and unofficial, is remarkably scant. Lieut-General Sakharoff's report, which brings the situation up to July 15, does not mention the occupation of Yin Kow, but speaks of the Russians driving out the Japanese from the coast town of Huanpi Chan, between Yin Kow and Kai Chou. On the other hand, according to General Sakharoff, the advance to Ta Tohe Kiao is continuing leisurely. The Japanese advance party is apparently retreating to the south-eastward, while strong parties are entrenching between Fen Shui and Mo Tien gasses.

A BRITISH GUNBOAT.

A special from Liao Yang, the date of which is doubtful, though seemingly about contemporary with Lieut-General Sakharoff's report, says: "A British gunboat appeared off Yin Kow July 15. The commander wanted to enter the port to guard the interests of the British residents, in view of the probability that the town may shortly be occupied by the Japanese. The commander of the Russian gunboat Sivouch hoisted a battle flag, and requested the British vessel to draw off, which it did. It is reported the gunboat returned later with two vessels. All three put to sea that night."

30,000 JAPANESE LANDED.

Berlin, July 16.—The Lokal Anzeiger to-day prints a special despatch from Port Arthur stating that the Japanese since July 11, have landed about 30,000 men near Pigeon Bay under the protection of the entire fleet. The Russians, the despatch says, offered little resistance. A general assault is expected soon. A calm sea has facilitated the landing.

IMPROBABLE RUMOR.

St. Petersburg, July 16, 7.06 p. m.—There is a persistent rumor in circulation to the effect that the protected cruiser Noki has joined the Vladivostok squadron. The admiralty has no information on the subject. It is added that it is possible but improbable, in view of the inadvisability of separating the Port Arthur force.

JAPS STILL ADVANCING.

The enemy is continuing the advance. General Mischchenko's force in warm skirmishes south of Kan Chi, discovered a big force of Japanese moving toward Tan Chi and Simut Chen. The groups of Japanese to the southward remain about stationary.

TOGO DEAD?

Che Foo, July 16.—The Chicago Daily News, correspondent with Kuraki's army, in a despatch sent by a Chinese junk from An Tung, says:—"There is a persistent rumor here Admiral Togo is dead. Many of the Japanese profess to believe it. A severe outbreak of cholera is reported. The bodies of the soldiers who die of the disease are being cremated."

The King approved the appointment of Sir William MacGregor as Governor of Newfoundland.

It is reported that France has threatened to land troops to suppress the rebellion in Kwangsi province, China.

BRITAIN URGED TO TAKE ACTION

To Protect Her Commerce in the Red Sea—The Recent "Hold-Ups"

And the Passage of Russian Fleet Through the Dardanelles Causes Irritation in England.

London, July 18.—The Constantinople correspondent of the Standard in a despatch, dated July 17, says—"The Russian guardship Chernomoretz passed through the Bosphorus from the Black Sea this morning. The Chernomoretz is a gun vessel belonging to the Black Sea fleet, and carries ten guns."

CAUSES IRRITATION.

Almost without exception the newspapers this morning in editorials or otherwise, comment upon the Russian volunteer fleet steamers passing the Dardanelles, and the Government is urged to take action, especially for the protection of British commerce in the Red Sea and neighboring waters. The Daily Telegraph, written with traces of Government inspiration, say—"There is a limit to complaisance when neutral commerce under the British flag is molested in a way to which we have been for a century and a half unused." Special despatches from Berlin echo the feeling of irritation that exists in London.

HIGH-HANDED ACTION.

A despatch from Aden to the Daily Mail says that the captain of the British steamer Waipara reports that the Russian volunteer fleet steamer St. Petersburg signalled him to stop by firing across the bows of his vessel on July 15, in the Red Sea. The Russians examined the papers of the Waipara and declared that they would hold the ship as a prize. The captain protested, and was taken on board the St. Petersburg, where he gave the Russian officers a guarantee that there were neither arms nor ammunition on board the Waipara destined for Japan. The vessel was detained for four hours, and was then allowed to proceed. The captain confirms the report that the Peninsular and Oriental Company's steamer Malacca was seized in the Red Sea July 16, by the St. Petersburg, on the ground that she carried arms and munitions of war for the Japanese Government.

JAPAN LOOKS TO BRITAIN.

The Standard's Tokio correspondent cabling under date of July 17, says the Jiji Shimpou, in an editorial, expresses the hope that Great Britain will see that Turkey lends Russia no assistance by allowing no steamers of the volunteer fleet to pass the Dardanelles. The Jiji Shimpou declares that Great Britain is bound, under the terms of the Anglo-Japanese alliance, to prevent such assistance being given.

APPRECIATED

Was Wallaceburg's Right Royal Entertainment of the 24th Soldiers on Dominion Day.

The Planet clips the following from the Wallaceburg Herald-Record: "The following letter from Lt. Col. Rankin speaks for itself. It is an honest expression of appreciation from an honest man and in the same spirit is received by the Mayor on behalf of the citizens of the town. Headquarters 24th Regiment, Chatham, July 2nd, 1904.

T. B. Dundas, Esq., Mayor of Wallaceburg, Ont.:

My Dear Sir,—Permit me to thank yourself and the committee for the pleasant and prompt way in which the comfort of the members of the regiment were attended to on the occasion of our visit to your town on the 1st instant. Every officer, non-commissioned officer and man was profuse in his praises of the manner of their entertainment. Everything supplied was of the best that could be provided and as you know this always appeals with applause to the "Interior Economy" of a soldier. Again thanking you for your consideration and foresight in looking after our welfare, shall close with the desire that there may at some future time, be an encore. Yours very truly, J. B. RANKIN, Lt.-Col.

MANITOBA FOR HIS

Douglas Stevens, Winnipeg, is in the city for a few days. "Manitoba is going to have the greatest grain crop in years," remarked Mr. Stevens. "The growing grain looks fine. On our Rosser farm H. S. Clements and myself have a fine field of wheat. The season has been a little behind but the grain seems to have fared alright. The enthusiasts expect a harvest of 80 million bushels. There has been some heavy rain of late. It rained a little over a week ago in Winnipeg. Dick Fullerton was in the city and he couldn't return home that night because the rain had been so heavy. When it was bad enough to stop Dick you can guess for a minute how bad it was. The West is the country," concluded Mr. Stevens, "and I like it."

MAGNIFICENT APPOINTMENTS

Ministers Finding Berths for Their Secretaries—Soldiers' Memorials.

Good Work in Which Lady Minto Has Taken a Keen Interest—Hansard Changes.

Ottawa, July 17.—Lady Minto has furnished an interesting statement on the work of the Canadian South African Memorial Association. It says that the total number of Canadians who fell during the war was 246. Of this number eleven were buried at sea or drowned and bodies not recovered; five buried in England. In twelve cases, memorials were provided by relatives or comrades, leaving 218 memorials to be furnished by the association. By end of March memorials for the graves of 193 in South Africa had been sent out and are now being erected; 25 graves have not yet been definitely located. The erection of memorials is being supervised by Col. H. S. Greenwood, a Canadian employed in South Africa railway service. Lady Minto hopes before very long that this laudable work in which she has taken a keen interest will be completed.

THE HANSARD.

The report of the sub-committee of the debates committee of the Commons, has been accepted by that committee, and will be presented to the House. It recommends, as has been stated, the preparation of an analytical index of the Hansard of each session bound in a separate volume. By direction of the committee a sample sheet is being prepared for submission to the House along with the report of the committee. English and French specimens are being prepared.

SIGNIFICANT STRAWS.

When his estimates were under discussion in the House recently, Sir Wm. Mallock announced the promotion of his secretary, E. H. Laschinger, to be a chief clerk and assistant secretary of the post office department. The appointment was gazetted Saturday. Taken in conjunction with some other recent promotions it is significant. One of the traditions of the civil service is that among the provisions a minister is supposed to make against his possible loss of office is that of a permanent position for his private secretary—taking them in out of the wet, the colloquial designation of the practice, which is most in vogue on the eve of a general election. During the past few months several private secretaries have been thus secured against the exigencies of political conflict. The chief private secretary of the Prime Minister has been made also assistant clerk of the Privy Council according to precedent; his assistant private secretary has been appointed French translator of the Senate. The minister of customs provided a have for his private secretary by making him assistant commissioner of customs—a practically new office. The private secretary of Sir Fred. Borden has been promoted to the secretaryship of the militia department, and only the other day it was announced that Sir Richard Cartwright's private secretary, E. C. T. O'Hara, had been made superintendent of commercial agents' reports. These appointments constitute a series of storm signals that indicate the ministry at least appreciates the force of Sir John Macdonald's saying about the uncertainties of a general election being equalled only by those of a horse race.

UMPIRE MOBBED

Montreal, July 17.—There was trouble at the conclusion of the Montreal-Newark baseball game Saturday afternoon, and for a time things looked exceedingly ugly for Umpire Sullivan. It seems that some of the umpire's rulings were not satisfactory to the visiting team. As Sullivan was leaving the grounds after the game, a big crowd was in waiting for him, and when he appeared, they made a rush for him. One man drew a knife and made a thrust at Sullivan. At this stage, a local detective appeared on the scene, and, drawing a revolver, held the crowd at bay. Sullivan was not further molested.

FALLS FROM BALLOON

Montreal, July 17.—The body of Jas. A. Bennett, a prominent aeronaut, was found in the St. Lawrence this morning. Bennett made a balloon ascension from Riverside Park last evening. A big celebration was being held at the park for the French national holidays. The fall of the Bastille was one of the principal attractions. The balloon soared gracefully into the St. Lawrence, and a favorable wind carried it across the river. As it approached the south shore, near Longueuil, Bennett was seen to fall out of the balloon into the water, while the balloon descended in the village. The search for the balloonist proved unavailing until today, when his body was found near the Longueuil shore. Bennett was 35 years of age, and was born in Bristol, England. He had resided here for several years.

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